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SUBJECT	<b>CATUSK</b>			

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

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1. DURING THREE RECENT MEETINGS WITH ALIAS REICHLIN, CHIEF OF CATUSK'S TACTICAL COLLECTION DIVISION, ADDITIONAL LIGHT WAS GAINED INTO ALIAS REICHLIN'S CURRENT DRIVE TO DEVELOP A CLOSER WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH WOFAC. ONE OF THESE MEETINGS WAS MAINLY DEVOTED TO ALIAS REICHLIN'S PROPOSAL TO SEND ECONOMIC OFFICERS, ALIAS STURM AND ALIAS HAHN, TO VISIT WOFAC HEADQUARTERS AND IT WAS REPORTED IN EGMA - 68317. THE OTHER TWO MEETINGS WERE SOCIAL AFFAIRS WITH TIME FOR PRIVATE TALK.
2. ALIAS REICHLIN WAS, AS USUAL, QUOTE FRANK IN STATING HIS OBJECTIVE OF A CLOSER WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HIS DIVISION AND WOFAC. HE ADMITTED THAT THERE ARE THOSE IN HIS ORGANIZATION WHO SAY THAT HE IS WASTING HIS TIME TRYING TO DO OPERATIONAL BUSINESS JOINTLY WITH WOFAC - THEY TELL HIM THAT IT HAS BEEN DONE BEFORE AND HAS NEVER GONE VERY FAR BECAUSE WOFAC WON'T COOPERATE OR IF IT DOES COOPERATE IT ALWAYS ATTEMPTS TO CONTROL EVERYTHING AND, QUOTE SINCE IT IS THE BIGGEST CAT IT WILL USUALLY ALWAYS GET THE MOUSE END QUOTE. ALIAS REICHLIN DEPLORES THE ATTITUDE OF THE DOUBTERS (NOT NAMED), SAYING THAT GENUINE COOPERATION BETWEEN PARTNERS WHO CAN HELP ONE ANOTHER IS THE ONLY PRACTICAL WAY TO CONDUCT THE INTELLIGENCE BUSINESS NOWADAYS.
3. ALIAS REICHLIN FEELS THAT A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP IMPLIES THAT A PARTNER CAN SAY FLATLY QUOTE NO END QUOTE TO THE OTHER AND NOT THEREBY CREATE HARD FEELINGS ON EITHER SIDE BUT THAT OUTSIDE OF CERTAIN HIGHLY SENSITIVE AREAS OF THE BUSINESS THERE SHOULD BE A POSITIVE AND FRANK EXCHANGE OF WORTHWHILE

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INFORMATION THAT WOULD BENEFIT BOTH PARTIES. HE SAYS HE IS OPTIMISTIC THAT SUCH A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP CAN BE WORKED OUT WITH WOFAC.

4. DESPITE HIS OPTIMISM ON THE PROSPECTS FOR WORKING TOGETHER, ALIAS REICHLIN IS SOMEWHAT CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT COULD HAPPEN TO HIS STATUS IF THIS ATTEMPT BACKFIRES I.E. IS UNSUCCESSFUL, BECAUSE OPPOSITION ELEMENTS IN CATUSK ARE EVER READY TO SAY QUOTE I TOLD YOU SO END QUOTE. REICHLIN SAYS HE WOULD MUCH RATHER BE TOLD THE PLAIN TRUTH ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR FUTURE COOPERATION THAN TO GET FROM WOFAC A SERIES OF OPTIMISTIC STATEMENTS WHICH INDICATE THAT EVERYTHING IS ROSY AND THE SETTLEMENT OF ALL LIAISON PROBLEMS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. HE FEELS THAT THE UNVARNISHED TRUTH WILL PROVIDE HEADROOM FOR GOOD PROGRESS AND IT WILL PUT HIM IN A SOLID POSITION WITHIN HIS OWN ORGANIZATION.

5. ACCORDING TO ALIAS REICHLIN, A STATE OF MIND EXISTS WITHIN PARTS OF CATUSK THAT TENDS TO NEGATE ITS EFFORTS. ONE REFLECTION OF THIS STATE OF MIND IS A RIGID COMPARTMENTATION BETWEEN THE ELEMENTS OF CATUSK. HE SAYS, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT ALIAS MINTERSTEIN IS DOING, AND THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE - THEY SELDOM TALK BUSINESS TO ONE ANOTHER AND WHEN THEY DO IT IS ONLY ON ISOLATED CASES. ALIAS REICHLIN IS VERY MUCH AGAINST THIS RIGID COMPARTMENTATION FOR HE FEELS THAT CATUSK IS TOO SMALL TO AFFORD THE LUXURY OF MANY UNRELATED, DIVIDED EFFORTS WHEN IT IS BEING CONFRONTED BY GIANT, EFFICIENT OPPOSITION SERVICES SUCH AS THE SOVIET UNION'S.

6. REICHLIN SAID THAT THE UNHEALTHY COMPARTMENTATION IN CATUSK IS LARGELY DUE TO UTILITY'S REACTION TO QUOTE THE DREADFUL UNDEROSY CASE END QUOTE AND HIS QUOTE ABSOLUTE OBSESSION WITH A DETERMINATION THAT IF IT HAPPENS AGAIN NOT EVERYTHING WILL BE LOST END QUOTE. ALIAS REICHLIN DOES NOT AGREE WITH UTILITY ON THIS QUOTE EXTREME POSITION END QUOTE AND HE SAYS THAT ALIAS HOLM, UTILITY'S DEPUTY, DOES NOT AGREE WITH UTILITY ON IT EITHER BUT ALMOST EVERYBODY IN CATUSK IS RESIGNED TO IT AND CONVINCED THAT AS LONG AS UTILITY IS AROUND THINGS WON'T CHANGE MUCH IN THIS REGARD. ALIAS REICHLIN FEELS THAT IF ALIAS HOLM WERE IN CHARGE HE WOULD TRY TO GET THE CATUSK DEPARTMENTS TO WORK MORE CLOSELY TOGETHER, IN HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER, RATHER THAN TO KEEP THEM QUOTE VOLUNTARILY SEPARATED END QUOTE.

7. ALIAS REICHLIN REPEATED MANY OF HIS PREVIOUS STATEMENTS REGARDING HIS TRIP TO WOFAC HEADQUARTERS IN THE SUMMER OF 60 AND NOW IT CONVINCED HIM THAT HE SHOULD ADVOCATE COOPERATION WITH WOFAC AS THE KEY TO CATUSK INTELLIGENCE SUCCESS IN THIS DAY AND AGE.

8. ALIAS REICHLIN SUGGESTED THAT ☐ MEET AGAIN WITH ALIAS MAURER TO DISCUSS SOME ASPECTS OF ALIAS MAURER'S OPERATIONAL PROGRAM. THAT WAS DONE AND THE RESULTS ARE BEING FORWARDED. THEY INDICATE THAT ALIAS MAURER'S OPERATIONAL RESOURCES ARE ALMOST UNIFORMLY LEGAL TRAVELLERS. ALIAS MAURER FEELS THAT THEY DID AN EXCELLENT JOB REPORTING THE RECENT VETAVA MANEUVER, BUT IT WAS A SUPREME EFFORT.

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